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TOPIC 1. Hungarian Troops in Cegled, Szolnok, Gyula and Budapest

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Information from Cegled.

1. In late July 1951, the building of the former National Bank located at the intersection of Rakoczi and Gubody Streets in Cegled (Q 48/0 03) was equipped with a white signboard bearing the inscription "Cegled Recruiting Office." No sentry stood guard at the entrance to the building. A senior lieutenant and a lieutenant wearing green service color and crossed-rifle insignia were seen entering the building. By questioning civilians, source ascertained that no more Hungarian military units or agencies were located in Cegled. *
2. A building site, about 1,600 x 1,100 meters, was observed about 2 km southeast of the city on the south side of the road to Toertel (Q 48/0 17). It included three buildings of different sizes whose brick walls extended as high as the first floor, and watchtowers, 6 meters high and occupied by sentries wearing blue uniforms. Building Industry Trust No 42, which employed convicts, was in charge of the building operations. According to local residents, a Hungarian barracks installation, possibly connected with an air base, was being constructed there.

New Barracks Installation in Szolnok.

3. Billets, referred to as the Artillery Barracks by residents, were located east of the city of Szolnok (Q 48/0 37), about 300 meters northeast of the Alsó railroad stop. The installation seemed to be new, with one building still under construction and the windows of other buildings still sprayed with lime. It included five three-story billets and one two-story barracks building, five single-story storehouses or garages with flat roofs, two small single-story buildings, and one cottage with a reed roof. A watchtower, 8 meters high and supported by a concrete base, was attached to one of the storehouses. A Hungarian sentry wearing green service color and carrying a submachine gun with drum magazine stood guard at the entrance in late July 1951. Only 15 troops, six of whom were busy filling straw mattresses, were counted in the installation, which was apparently occupied by a small detachment. **

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